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Applicant : Daniel W. Hawtof, et al  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In the Office Action dated June 14, 2005, in the above-captioned application, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement identifying the following groups of claims as being drawn to potentially distinct inventions:

- Group I. Claims 1 - 9, drawn to a method of making a crystal pre-melt, classified in class 117, subclass 200+ and
- Group II. Claims 10 - 20, drawn to a method of making a crystal pre-melt classified in class 117, subclass 81+.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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